

BURTON-IN-KENDAL PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in Burton-in-Kendal Memorial Hall on Thursday 20th March 2025 at 7.30pm

PRESENT: Cllrs. F. Mason-Hornby, G. Isherwood, A. Wren, M. Taylor, K. Crayston, C. Day,
Also present: Parish Clerk C Davidson and 2 members of the public.

1) APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Cllr Nolan and Hughes

2) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND APPLICATIONS FOR DISPENSATION:

None

3) MINUTES OF THE LAST PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD

The previous minutes were approved and signed by the Chairman.

4) MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

a) Cllr Isherwood confirmed that Burton School was not continuing with their suggestion to change the way the Parish Council was represented on the Board of Governors.

5) RECEIVE ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM CHAIRMAN

The Chairman welcomed the reporter from the Burton News.

The Chairman also reported that he had visited The Royal Oak prior to the meeting and, on behalf of the Parish Council, would like to wish them every success.

6) OPEN FORUM

Stuart East – Burton News Editor thanked the Parish Council for its recent Grant, the Committee were very grateful and it is hoped a reporter will be in attendance at future meetings.

7) REPORTS FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLOR

Cllr Hughes was unable to attend the meeting but had circulated her report:

- a) The Clawthorpe speed reduction hasn't met the priority list for funding for 25/26 however it is anticipated more funding may be available later, otherwise it will be 26/27
- b) Safe Crossing near the school. The feasibility study has shown it does qualify for a crossing but due to requirements it is not possible, however, there may be funding available for a lollipop person and this will be considered.

8) CASUAL VACANCY

There is a Casual Vacancy on the Parish Council due to the resignation of Cllr Daniel Wilson. The 14 day vacancy period ends on the 28th March at which time the Parish Council can co-opt. If anyone is interested please contact the Clerk.

9) DATE OF APRIL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING AND ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

As the April meeting is due to take place the day before Good Friday it was agreed that it would be changed to Wednesday 16th April. This would include the Annual Parish Meeting.

Signed:
Chairman

Date

10) BOUNDARY REVIEW

The Parish Council agreed have considered the changes proposed in the Westmorland and Furness Boundary Review Consultation. The suggestion is Burton-in-Kendal would become part of a 3 member ward and would be known as Arnside, Burton and Milnthorpe. It was agreed that the Parish Council are happy with this proposal.

11) EMERGENCY PLAN

The Parish Council Emergency Plan requires updating. It was agreed that the Clerk would circulate the current plan to Councillors and include in the April Agenda for further discussion.

12) PLAIN QUARRY HEIGHT BARRIER

The height barrier at Plain Quarry was vandalised and broken. As this had happened just after the last Parish Council meeting it was agreed that the replacement of this was urgent. Therefore the Clerk used 'designated authority' to authorise the work. This was completed promptly by local firm Fabtec Ltd.

13) NOTICE BOARD

It was previously agreed that the notice board at Clawthorpe would now be refurbished, this has kindly been done by Cllr Isherwood. Therefore the new notice board that has been purchased needs to put elsewhere in the Village. It was agreed that a site to the South of the Village would be considered.

14) INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

Consider the bank balances and the Income and Expenditure Account and authorise the release of the following payments by Councillors. Authorise payment of the following accounts:

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| a) Clerk's salary | £427.20 |
| b) Fabtec Ltd | £1491.60 |
| c) Burton News | £500.00 |

15) OUTSTANDING ITEMS

| No | Item | Reported by | Action | Status |
|----|--|-------------|--------|---|
| 1 | Traffic Calming Burton Traffic calming and speed reduction Clawthorpe | | | Possible Lollipop person funding. 2026/7 budget |
| 2 | Community Asset Register | FMH | CD | Ongoing |
| 3 | Meadow Close to Boon Town footpath | | | Issues now regarding ownership. VH/Clerk to request a site meeting and include Cllr Wren |
| 4 | 19 Trees | | | Planting to be arranged. Saplings to be identified from neighbouring woodlands. Cllrs to meet and dig some test holes to ensure ground is suitable |

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| 5 | Market Cross work and benches | | | Repair done. Pointing to be done and plinth for West side bench. AW to chase |
| 6 | Dark Sky Initiative | | | Ongoing |
| 8 | Coronation Bench & 2 replacement benches (Boon Town and Station Lane) | FMH | Clerk | Steve Mealor to contact Cllr Taylor to arrange collection of flags and then Cllr Mason-Hornby to collect benches |
| 9 | installing notice board | GI/AW | | Cllr Wren and Taylor to look at new site |
| 10 | Playground Working Group | VH | | Working Group to be set up and fundraising ideas to be planned. Clerk to chase the possible CIL money available. |

16) REVIEW OF ACTION ITEMS AND REPORTS FROM PARISH COUNCILLORS AND CLERK.

- a) Cllr Daly asked about the bin at the playground – there is now a Council bin outside the play area.
- b) Cllr Wren has removed the vandalised picnic bench from the Playground
- c) Cllr Isherwood has refurbished the notice board at Clawthorpe

17) TO RECEIVE AND ACTION COMMUNICATION RECEIVED.

CALC Updates
W & F Devolution Consultation
Community Governance Review
LSE survey re Emergency Planning

18) DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Parish Council Meeting will be on **Wednesday 16th April 2025** at 7.30pm and this will follow the **Annual Parish Meeting starting at 7.15pm** in the Memorial Hall

Signed:

Chairman

Date: